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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of)
Ohio State Medical Association; U.S.) MUR 6552
Senator Sherrod Brown; Friends of)
Sherrod Brown and Judith Zamore in her)
official capacity as treasurer; Josh)
Mandel; Citizens for Josh Mandel, Inc.)
and Kathryn Kessler in her official)
capacity as treasurer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Shawn Woodhead Werth, Secretary and Clerk of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on October 25, 2012, the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions in MUR 6552:

- 1. Dismiss the allegations that Ohio State Medical Association violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and (b) in an exercise of prosecutorial discretion as outlined in *Heckler v. Chaney*, 470 U.S. 821 (1985).
- 2. Find no reason to believe that U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown, Friends of Sherrod Brown and Judith Zamore in her official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
- 3. Find no reason to believe that Josh Mandel, Citizens for Josh Mandel, Inc. and Kathryn Kessler in her official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
- 4. Approve the Factual and Legal Analyses, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated October 15, 2012.
- 5. Approve the appropriate letters.

Federal Election Commission Certification on MUR 6552 October 25, 2012 6. Close the file.

Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and

Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

Shawn Woodhead Werth

Secretary and Clerk of the Commission